Statewide Foster Care Advisory Council SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA May 18, 2020 Conference Call 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Webinar Call In Procedure:

Dial: 888-494-4032 Passcode: 953-069-6277#

12:30 p.m. Welcome and Introductions

Carol Sheley

This special meeting has been called to address concerns and recommendations raised at the April Statewide Foster Care Advisory Council meeting. Lori Gray will be present to respond to council concerns.

Meeting Topics:

- 1) Foster parents are being expected to facilitate visitation for brand new placements without the support of DCFS Child Protection staff.
- 2) Visitation expectations have been altered without providing guidelines or support to foster parents.
- 3) Visits are not being adjusted to meet the needs and developmental abilities of the children involved.
- 4) Foster families are being put at increased risk of exposure due to unsupervised visits continuing without safeguards in place.
- 5) Placement disruptions are being threatened due to changes in visitation expectations.

Public Comment

Stakeholder Comments

1:00 pm Adjourn

Next Meeting: June 19, 2020, 9:00 a.m. via teleconference